**DECLARATION**

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **CATHETER WITH ATTACHED FLEXIBLE SIDE SHEATH** the specification of which was filed on **DECEMBER 6, 1999** as U.S. Patent Application No. **09/455,299**.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 CFR §1.56. I claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, USC §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s):

Country	Application No.	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed Under 35 USC 119
PCT	US99/00835	January 14, 1999	YES

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, USC §119(e) of any United States Provisional patent application(s) listed below:

Application No.	Filing Date
60/088,301	June 5, 1998

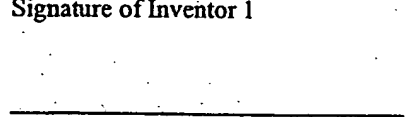
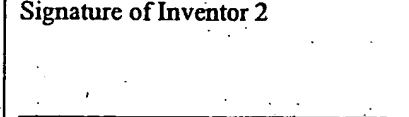
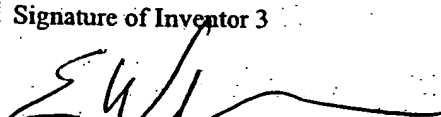
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Application No.	Date of Filing	Status
08/774,022	November 4, 1996	ABANDONED
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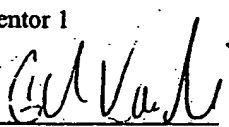
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